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THAT U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY COULD SUGGEST WHICH WOULD FIT IN TO PROPOSED MINERALS PROJECT, E.G., VISIT TO REMOTE SENSING FACILITIES OR TRAINING CENTER, SINCE ONE ELEMENT OF PROPOSED PROJECT WILL BE TRAINING IN INTERPRETATION OF REMOTE SENSING DATA. PENDING FINAL DECISION ON WHETHER CROWN PRINCE WILL TRAVEL TO WEST COAST WE SUGGEST NO CONTACTS BE MADE WITH THESE ORGANIZATIONS.

8. REGARDING PUBLIC APPEARANCES, PRINCE HASSAN WOULD BE PREPARED TO CONSIDER INVITATIONS FOR APPROPRIATE SPEECHES OR INTERVIEWS. WE SUGGESTED POSSIBILITY OF AN APPEARANCE AT THE LOS ANGELES WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL -- AGAIN IF HE DECIDED TO EXTEND HIS TRIP OUT WEST. SINCE PRINCE HASSAN MET WITH MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS IN NEW YORK DURING HIS LAST VISIT, WE DOUBT IT WOULD BE WARRANTED THIS TIME. PRINCE HASSAN HAD ALSO RECEIVED AN INVITATION FROM A DR THOMAS NASS, DIRECTOR OF CENTER FOR MIDDLE EAST STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO SPEAK UNDER SPONSORSHIP OF THE CENTER. WE DO NOT KNOW THE DETAILS OF THIS INVITATION, HOWEVER, OR WHETHER IT WOULD BE A PUBLIC OR ACADEMIC TYPE OF FUNCTION. ALSO IN PUBLIC AFFAIRS AREA, CROWN PRINCE INDICATED HE MIGHT FOLLOW-UP ON HIS CONTACT WITH THOMAS VAIL, EDITOR OF CLEVELAND PLAIN DEALER, WHO VISITED AMMAN SOME MONTHS AGO.

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9. THIS REPRESENTS FIRST CUT OF DEVELOPING CONTENTS FOR PROPOSED

VISIT. WE WOULD WELCOME COMMENTS OF DEPARTMENT AND AID ON THESE PROPOSALS PLUS INDICATIONS OF THE LIKELY AVAILABILITY OF THE PERSONS WITH WHOM CROWN PRINCE HASSAN WOULD LIKE TO MEET. CROWN PRINCE'S SECRETARY, NASR MIRZA, WILL BE PROCEEDING TO WASHINGTON IN ADVANCE OF CROWN PRINCE IN ORDER TO WORK WITH JORDAN EMBASSY, JACK O'CONNELL AND DEPARTMENT/AID ON PLANS FOR VISIT. MIRZA IS TENTATIVELY PLANNING TO LEAVE AMMAN ON OR ABOUT NOVEMBER 7, SO IF THERE ARE REASONS PROPOSED TRIP IS NOT FEASIBLE AS PROPOSED OR IF THERE ARE OTHER SERIOUS PROBLEMS PLEASE INFORM US PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE. WE SUGGEST DEPARTMENT NOT CONTACT JORDAN EMBASSY REGARDING CROWN PRINCE VISIT UNTIL IT BECOMES CLEAR THAT CROWN PRINCE HAS INFORMED AMBASSADOR SALAH. WHEN WE TALKED TO CROWN PRINCE HE HAD NOT YET INFORMED GOJ EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, ALTHOUGH MIRZA WAS PLANNING TO DO SO MOMENTARILY. PICKERING

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